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Before the Transportation Committee

On Proposed Raised Bill No. 6821

"An Act Concerning Department of Transportation Recommendations.....

**Concerning Passenger Seatbelts**"

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Thank you Chairman Guerrera and members of the committee for holding this important hearing and for the opportunity to submit testimony to you today in support of Raised Bill No. "An Act Concerning Department of Transportation Recommendations Concerning....Passenger Seatbelts", Section 14. Subsection c, of section 14-100a of the general statues. I am submitting testimony on behalf of Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) Connecticut

This bill recommends revising language in line 690 to remove "front seat" to include **all passengers** in a motor vehicle be required to wear seatbelts.

MADD advocates increased use of occupant protection for all motor vehicle drivers and passengers and recognizes the need for publicized, enforced safety belt and child seat laws as a major defense against alcohol- and other drug-impaired drivers.

Thank you.